

# THE EMPRESS EXPRESS

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## United Church

Church Worship, 10:30 a.m.  
Attention directed to change in hours of our Sunday services for the summer months.  
A good start for a good summer is desired.

Public Worship, 11:30 a.m.  
Immediately following the session of the Church school. Remember, there will be no evening service.

Our invitation and our welcome are for any and all who will join in Sunday morning worship. Particularly do we invite those living in the country adjacent to Empress.

The Minister's message will be one of reasonable optimism entitled, "The East Window."

Good singing and Choir. Solo and chorus.

N. W. Whitmore, Minister.

## Viewfield and Forks

Will residents of these communities please note change in hour of services:

Viewfield, 2:30 p.m.  
Forks, 7:00 p.m.

Change goes into effect with the first Sunday in May.

Everybody welcome.

N. W. Whitmore, Minister.

## IN MEMORIAM

MACKENZIE—Victoria Alice Mackenzie, died April 26th, 1927.  
"To memory ever dear"  
—Alex Mackenzie.

## Mrs. Wemp, of Social Plains, Passes Away

The death occurred on Saturday, April 23, of Clara Peterson Wemp, wife of H. Wemp, of Social Plains. Deceased was in her 53rd year, and death came following a lingering illness. The funeral service was held in St. Mary's Anglican Church on Monday afternoon, and was conducted by the Rev. L. J. Tatham. A large attendance of neighbors and friends were present. The remains were committed to their final rest in the Empress cemetery. Sympathy is expressed with Mr. Wemp in his bereavement.

## Sunday School Easter Program

In the report of Easter service last week, word of the special program by the Sunday school was omitted. The children collected plants from various homes and decorated the church. The storm which broke just at 2 o'clock, caused some to stay away, and a number of the staff and school were absent. However, those present enjoyed the special effort made. The program was put on in the church, after a short session of the classes in the Sunday School room. The children deserve commendation for their successful effort to commemorate this special season of our Church.

## High School Easter Examinations

Name	Tot. Marks	No. Subjects	Average	Rank
Ross Young	676	8	85	1
A. Van Cleve	593	7	81	2
M. Jackson	463	6	77	3
M. Hutchinson	459	6	76	4
S. MacPherson	429	7	70	5
G. MacDonald	391	8	74	6
H. Boyd	413	9	68	7
W. Reid	532	8	67	8
D. Jackson	519	8	65	9
G. Hanna	389	6	65	10
R. Pawlak	349	6	58	11
P. Tarr	328	6	55	12
B. Pawlak	432	8	54	13
W. Storey	312	6	52	14
J. Torry	292	6	49	15
M. Arthur	405	9	45	16
L. Turner	311	7	44	17

Note—Marks obtained by pupils in the various subjects were also submitted to the Editor for publication by Principal Shaw. However, the amount of work entailed would not allow for such itemization of subjects.

## Hospital Notes

J. MacDonald, Altex, is receiving medical treatment for a bone lock.  
Alex. Kuitte, Lancer, operated on recently for a ruptured appendix is now progressing favorably.

A. H. Staddon, has returned home cured.

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Thompson, of Blindfold, was bitten by a dog, Sunday. His face required suturing.

Mrs. Henry Rinker, of Cavendish, underwent appendix operation, Sunday.

Mrs. Miller, of Mendham, was admitted to the hospital on Tuesday, suffering from an infected ear.

Blake Shaw, had an axillary abscess opened Tuesday.

Mrs. P. Smarzyk, had teeth extracted, Monday.

Wm. MacDonald had part of a toe amputated on Saturday, is now doing well.

Miss Sophy Raffa, underwent tonsil and adenoid operation on Monday.

Fred. Keris, Lander, had his appendix removed under local anesthesia, Tuesday.

Unclaimed Military Awards

Information has been received that there are in stock at National Defence Headquarters, Ottawa, 1915 unclaimed 1914-15 Stars, 67,638 British War Medals and 40,330 Victory Medals, together with a number of Distinguished Conduct Medals, Military Medals, Medals of the Order of the British Empire, Meritorious Service Medals and French Medals.

The authorities desire to dispose of these medals, etc., as quickly as possible, and soldiers who have served Overseas and have not yet received their Medals or Decorations are requested to make immediate application to the Department of National Defence (Director of Records), Ottawa.

## GET YOUR

## Blacksmith

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## Acadia Valley

J. H. Wong, proprietor of the restaurant has returned from a three months vacation.

The usual weekly meeting of the athletic, Friday, April 22, was not very well attended on account of bad roads.

Fred Peers is now enjoying improved health after his recent operation, and his friends are glad to see him around again.

C. Waller, teacher of the Acadia Valley school, enjoyed a week's vacation away, during the Easter holidays.

Bill Ewing, returned about two weeks ago from a winter's visit in the Melfort district. He says that it is a good farming district.

## A Gentle Reminder on Behalf of Absent Mothers

For absent mothers away down East and across the sea, there is still time for a greeting to be delivered by Mother's Day. In gratitude for unstinted kindness and long devotion, may every child of a living mother send a loving greeting—and may every child of a departed mother think kindly and live nobly for her.

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## Flowers for the Home Garden

Perennial plants are those that persist year after year. Many perennials flower and many do not flower. Many bear large showy flowers and many bear small inconspicuous flowers. Many produce weedy stems that survive the winter, while others produce herbaceous stems that die in the autumn. Those classed as hardy perennials produce herbaceous stems on which flowers are borne during the spring, summer and autumn months and die at the close of the growing season. The fleshy, underground portions of such plants survive the winter and produce the stems, leaves and flowers that appear the following year.

Perennial flowers should be grown more extensively than they are being grown at the present time. Perennials can be grown easily and some of the most attractive flowering plants found in gardens belong to this group. When well established, perennials require very little attention, and the cost of maintaining a perennial border is much less than the cost of maintaining an annual border. Perennials do not require re-planting every Spring, as do annuals and earlier flowers, and consequently a longer period of bloom may be obtained from perennials than is possible from annuals.

From the cultural standpoint perennial flowering plants may be divided into two classes. The first class contains those that are usually propagated by seed and the second class contains those that are usually propagated by division. Those in the former class may be propagated by division, and in some cases it is more convenient to propagate them in this way than by seed. A few of those in the latter class may be propagated by seed, but this is an unsatisfactory method in both cases, owing either to the failure of the plant to pass on to the next generation its varietal characters or to the length of time required to bring the resulting plant to the flowering stage.

Hardy perennial flowering plants that may be grown from seed are as follows:

(a) Low to medium—Rock Cress (*Arabis alpina*), Baby's Breath, Iceland Poppy, Basket of Gold (*Alyssum saxatile*), Pink ( *Dianthus plumarius*), Snow-in-Summer (*Cerastium tomentosum*), Forget-me-not, Candytuft (*Iberis sempervirens*), Carpetarian Harebell (*Campanula carpatica*), Lychnis (*Lychnis Haageana*), Dwarf Anemone (*Pennstemon uliginosus*), Blackberry Lily (*Belladonna chinensis*).

(b) Medium to tall—Larkspur (*Delphinium*), Bleeding Heart, Columbine, Sweet Rocket, Hot Chet Flower (*Gaillardia*), Pink

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## Anglican Church

May 1st (2nd Sunday after Easter, Feast of St. Philip and St. James).

St. Mary's Church:  
10 a.m. Holy Communion.

11 a.m. Morning Prayer.  
12:15 p.m. Sunday School.

Anglican School, 3 p.m.  
Estuary School, 7 p.m.

L. J. Tatham,  
Priest-in-charge

Daisy (*Pyrethrum roseum*), Speedwell (*Veronica*), Milfoil (*Archilia roseum*), Bishop's Weed (*Aegopodium*), Golden Glow, Succoweed (*Helenium*), Bergamot (*Monarda*), Coral Bells (*Heuchera sanguinea*), Michaelmas Daisy, Maltese Cross (*Lychnis chalcedonica*), Bleeding Heart (*Lamium*), Meadow Rue (*Thalictrum*), Golden Marguerite (*Anemone tinctoria*).

This group of hardy perennials usually grown from divisions is relatively small, but it contains a number of very attractive forms. A few in this group are as follows:

(a) Low to medium—Dwarf Iris (*Iris Pumila*), Coral Lily (*Lilium Hansonii*), Moss Pink (*Phlox subulata*).  
(b) Medium to tall—German Iris, Siberian Iris, Peony, Ribbon Grass (*Polaris*), Lemon Day Lily (*Heimericallis*), Tiger Lily (*Lilium tigrinum*), Prairie Lily (*Lilium umbellatum*).

Few of those mentioned are native to Saskatchewan and these lists could be extended by including more native species. Under suitable conditions, But-

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## Sale of Flowers for Mother's Day

also Home-Baking

Afternoon Tea will be served. The United Church School Room, Saturday, May 7th, from 3 to 6 o'clock.

## EMPRESS THEATRE

Friday, April 29

## "The Quarterback"

Starring

RICHARD DIX with  
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# Great Britain To Send More Troops To China To Care For Emergencies

London.—Great Britain, which has been varying its attitude towards Washington and Tokyo concerning the Nanking disorders on March 23, continued its exchange over the week-end and there was a confident belief in official quarters that within a short time a joint note will be presented to the Cantonese authorities.

This note, it was indicated, would require an apology and reparation for the Nanking incident and guarantee for the future.

The war office has officially announced that another infantry brigade and auxiliary units including armoured troops, 1,000 men would be dispatched to the Far East as soon as they were brought to war strength by calling up reserves.

Defence to augment the Shanghai defence force came as a surprise even to those in close touch with experts, but military experts at home and in China maintained that it is essential, when the dispute is made on the Chinese, that there be adequate force on the spot to back up threats of possible action.

It is noted that the brigade will be sent to Hong Kong, relieving troops there for duty in Shanghai. It is troops necessary they will be sent directly to the Yangtze.

Officials say this does not mean that a Chinese refusal to the forthright demands be anticipated, but that the reinforcements are being sent as a measure of prevention to the emergency.

The weekend brought no help in the British Government's communication on the Chinese crisis.

Prime Minister Baldwin and Foreign Secretary Chamberlain kept in close touch with their Downing Street desks, with the other members of the cabinet similarly advised.

## To Hold Conference This Fall

Provincial Premiers to Meet Federal Government in Ottawa

Ottawa.—The conference between the provincial and federal governments which has been referred to several times during recent months will be held in Ottawa in late October or November. The arrangements will be made by the Minister of the Interior, Mr. J. A. A. Macdonald, secretary of state. It is hoped to secure attendance of prime ministers of all the provinces. The official schedule is not yet complete but it is the major topic to come before the conference.

## No Change In Pension Law

Bill Extending Time for Applications May Be Introduced

Ottawa.—While no change is anticipated in the pension law, a bill to extend the time for applications for pension will be introduced by the government within a few days. The bill is expected to extend the time for applications to one year from the date of death.

This amendment was made by Mr. J. A. A. Macdonald, Minister of Health and Social Services, in the House of Commons.

## A Gracious Tribute

Ottawa.—A gracious tribute to the late Sir Charles Tupper, who died on March 10, was paid by the House of Commons on March 11. The tribute was presented by Mr. J. A. A. Macdonald, Minister of Health and Social Services, in the House of Commons.

## Thrown Out

Ottawa.—The private bill committee of the House of Commons, which was set up to consider the bill to incorporate the "The Canadian International Trade Corporation," was thrown out on March 11.

## Powers Contemplate

Demands On China For Outrages At Nanking

London.—Great Britain is contemplating, subject of concerted representations, placing under certain conditions, the Chinese Nationalist authorities in connection with the anti-foreign outrages at Nanking. It is not known whether these demands would be made separately or in conjunction with other powers. It is understood that the British will demand an apology and reparation for the Nanking affair as well as punishment of the guilty persons and guarantee against the repetition of such outbreaks.

Excesses are said to be in progress between various English on the streets of Nanking.

## India Not Ready For Self-Government

Is Incompetent to Work Out Destiny Says Lord Birkenhead

London.—The Earl of Birkenhead, secretary for India, told the House of Commons in substance that India is not competent to work out her own destiny while the atmosphere between Moslems and Hindus continues.

His declaration was made during debate over the advisability of granting India a greater measure of self-government. Lord Birkenhead told the House that the general political outlook for India is promising and he has seen signs of co-operation between the British and the natives. He refused, however, that if the agitators presently imprisoned in addition were released a recurrence of disorders could be expected.

## Depends On New Postage

No Increase in Postmaster's Salaries or Commissions This Year

Ottawa.—The postmaster general, Mr. J. A. A. Macdonald, announced today that no increase in the salaries of postmasters or in the commissions on postage will be granted for the year ending March 31. He said that the government is not prepared to make any increase in the salaries of postmasters or in the commissions on postage for the year ending March 31. He said that the government is not prepared to make any increase in the salaries of postmasters or in the commissions on postage for the year ending March 31.

## Harvesters From Oxford

University Students Plan to Help Canadian Farmers This Year

Oxford.—Oxford University students are planning to help harvest the Canadian wheat crop next summer. The students are planning to go to Canada in the summer of 1925 to help harvest the wheat crop. They are planning to go to Canada in the summer of 1925 to help harvest the wheat crop. They are planning to go to Canada in the summer of 1925 to help harvest the wheat crop.

## Death of Sir Charles Tupper

Was One of Canada's Most Distinguished Statesmen

Montreal.—Sir Charles Tupper, one of Canada's most distinguished statesmen, died on March 10. He was born in 1821 and served as prime minister of Canada from 1894 to 1896. He was a member of the House of Commons from 1867 to 1896.

## In Made An Indian Chief

Victoria, B.C.—The Hon. J. A. A. Macdonald, Minister of the Interior, announced today that he had made an Indian chief.

## Slave Expedition

Attacked By Burmese

Burmese.—A slave expedition, which was sent to the Burmese, was attacked by the Burmese. The expedition was sent to the Burmese to capture slaves, but it was attacked by the Burmese and the expedition was defeated.

## Matter of Defence

Left With Government

Ottawa.—The matter of defence, which was left with the government, was discussed in the House of Commons. The government was asked to provide for the defence of the country, but the government refused to do so.

## Government Will Use

Six 'Planes For Patrol Work on Hudson Strait

Ottawa.—The local Canadian Air Force will shortly acquire six biplane planes from the United States to be used for patrol work on Hudson Strait. The planes will be used for patrol work on Hudson Strait. The planes will be used for patrol work on Hudson Strait.

## Would End Appeals

To Privy Council

Ottawa.—The government is considering a bill to end appeals to the Privy Council. The bill would give the final decision to the courts. The bill would give the final decision to the courts.

## Lower Duty on Livestock

Western Stock Growers Are Asking For Relief

Calgary.—The Canadian stock growers are asking for relief from the high duty on livestock. They are asking for a reduction in the duty on livestock. They are asking for a reduction in the duty on livestock.

## Attained Terrific Speed

Major Segrave Drove Car 203 Miles Per Hour

Ottawa.—Major Segrave, who drove a car at 203 miles per hour, was arrested by the police. He was driving a car at 203 miles per hour. He was driving a car at 203 miles per hour.

## Many Claimants to Millions

Dutch Merchant's Fortune Has Drawn Interest For 200 Years

Amsterdam.—A Dutch merchant's fortune, which has drawn interest for 200 years, is being claimed by many people. The fortune is being claimed by many people. The fortune is being claimed by many people.

## Value of Property

Statistics Show Figures to Rise

Ottawa.—The value of property in Canada is expected to rise in 1925. The value of property in Canada is expected to rise in 1925. The value of property in Canada is expected to rise in 1925.

## British Will Protect

Colony of Hong Kong

London.—The British government will protect the colony of Hong Kong. The British government will protect the colony of Hong Kong. The British government will protect the colony of Hong Kong.

## Pension Bill Passes

Ottawa.—The pension bill has passed in the House of Commons. The pension bill has passed in the House of Commons. The pension bill has passed in the House of Commons.

## Ran on Canadian Milk

New York.—New York City's milk supply is being run on Canadian milk. The milk supply is being run on Canadian milk. The milk supply is being run on Canadian milk.

## Trappers Overtake Swift Deer

Many have been killed since the start of the season

Ottawa.—Many trappers have overtaken swift deer since the start of the season. Many trappers have overtaken swift deer since the start of the season. Many trappers have overtaken swift deer since the start of the season.

## Substantial Decrease In

C. N. R. Estimates For Ensuing Financial Year

Ottawa.—The Canadian National Railway (C.N.R.) estimates a substantial decrease in its operating expenses for the ensuing financial year. The C.N.R. estimates a substantial decrease in its operating expenses for the ensuing financial year. The C.N.R. estimates a substantial decrease in its operating expenses for the ensuing financial year.

## W. N. C. 1925

The Western News Company, 1925.





# Newsprint From Wheat Straw May Compete With Wood As New Process Is Developed

What material may be expected to supplement wood in the event of the world consumption of newspaper at taking into account the per capita use of this commodity in the United States, asks the Natural Resources Intelligence Service, Department of the Interior, Ottawa. Will it be esparto grass which has been used extensively in the past and is still being used? Will it be bamboo, which has been used to some extent? Or will it be straw? If the latter then Canada with a vast cereal growing area possesses great and permanent potential supplies. Straw material is looked upon as having great possibilities and recently a company was formed at Edmonton for the purpose of manufacturing paper from this commodity. If this mill succeeds it would justify a considerable and possibly a remarkable industrial development in the Canadian wheat fields.

Recent developments along similar lines in Italy may be of interest to Canadian agriculturists and capitalists, points out the Natural Resources Service. The problem of making a straw which will fulfill all the technical requirements of satisfactory newspaper paper has been the subject of intense research on the part of Italian industrial chemists for a number of years. The problem is now thought successfully solved and the pulp is being produced on an industrial scale in the plants of the Società Elettrichetta Pontina in Naples and in those of the Società Italiana di Elettrochimica at Brindisi. The latter mill which has a daily production capacity of 20 tons is turning out approximately 10 tons of pulp a day for the paper industry. The Pontina process has the further advantage of utilizing the straw by-product in the production of electrolytic soda, which is a well developed Italian industry.

The problem of production costs has also been successfully solved, and the cost of production of newsprint paper containing approximately 50 per cent straw is claimed to be about 22 per cent less than ordinary newsprint paper, whose current price is about 45¢ a short ton.

Experiments have found paper with 50 per cent straw to be of the same wood content suitable for printing purposes. Samples of the editions received show the paper to be of good quality and excellent color, claiming what harder in finish and less absorbent to ink than the newsprint in general use in the United States and Canada. The paper is also slightly less opaque and the printed sheet does not appear to have the same characteristic of American newspapers.

Meanwhile Canada maintains her position of the world leader in wheat in the export of both wheat and wheat, and her pulpwood and cereal-growing resources are outstanding as to justify the opinion that wheat will remain the predominant factor in newspaper supplies as matter whether the final industry go either to paper or to wheat straw.

## Sprouting Potatoes

This Method Results in Forwarding the Crop About Seven Days

Tests at the International Horticultural Station indicate that potatoes can be profitably planted at any time between May 1st and June 15. After the latter date the result is poor. It was also proven that sprouting forwarded the crop seven days. Early Northern sprouted plants May 15 was ready August 2nd, non-sprouted plants the same date was ready August 10. The yield of sprouted was 27½ tons per acre, and of non-sprouted 20½ tons. With West Macdonald the results as regards time of maturity were even more outstanding as to justify the opinion that wheat will remain the predominant factor in newspaper supplies as matter whether the final industry go either to paper or to wheat straw.

## Alaskan Reindeer

More Than Half a Million Rearing the Northern Tundra

Northern Alaska to ward off starvation of the Eskimo, today presents a picture that is commanding serious attention of government officials and private citizens alike.

The herd of 1,200 imported into the territory by the 10 years prior to 1902, has multiplied so rapidly that it is estimated that more than half a million are roaming the northern tundra. On the present basis of increase, within 10 years, it is expected the number will approximate 5,000,000, the maximum that can be grazed successfully, say Government experts.

The problem of what to do with the fast multiplying herd is one for which no satisfactory solution has yet been found. Marketing the meat in the United States has been unattractive, but the difficulty has been unattractive in popularizing it as a food. Not that it is less palatable than beef or other meat, those interested assert, but the herds are so numerous as to try a hitherto unknown commodity.

## First Dominion Day

Events of 1867 Are Recalled by Toronto Cab Driver

While preparing to send home a cab driver, recalls the doing of the first Dominion Day—1867.

On that morning, says Mr. Abbott, John Carr, chairman of the Toronto Provision Committee, Mr. Abbott still retains vivid recollection of the modest fireworks display in Queen's Park that closed Dominion Day.

A feature of Toronto's celebration of the first Dominion Day, Mr. Abbott recalls, was the military review of the Royal Artillery and Cavalry Guard.

## Winnipeg Newspaper Union

The Winnipeg Newspaper Union, which has been in existence for some time, has been successful in its efforts to secure better conditions for its members.

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## A Smart Daytime or Evening Crook

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## Time Ball No Longer Needed

Greenwich Time Is Now Picked Up by Wireless

For two generations the Signal Tower at Deal has given the time of day to passing ships by the dropping of its Time Ball. Now the tower is to be closed and the ball will drop no more.

No one seems to know the tower's age, but in the old days it was used for semaphore and flag signalling to the ships lying in the roads between the shore and the Greenwich Signal. It was the last of a chain of signalling stations from the Admiralty in Whitehall.

With the coming of the telegraph the chain was no longer needed, and about 1862 the tower was put to a new use. It must have seemed a curious thing then that an electric current from Greenwich could release this huge ball, a hollow cast iron six feet across, at the very moment the clocks of London were striking one.

Outgoing ships must have found it invaluable for setting their chronometers.

Now, in the Wireless Age, it seems startling to us that Greenwich time can be picked up anywhere.

Wireless has put the Time Ball out of business, and the Signalling Tower is abandoned of its work done.

The Time Ball was raised by a wheel worked by hand a few minutes before the hour, and when the electric current released it it fell with broken by compressed air, a rubber cushion, and six strong spiral springs.

All that has now been done for the last time, for the ball ceased to work recently.

## A Mechanical Thinker

French Inventor Solves Trouble of the Busy Executive

A mechanical thinker to remind office executives of their appointments and tasks, has been invented in France.

It stands on the business man's desk. As he makes a memorandum of an order, appointment or idea to be executed at a definite time he throws back a lever on the machine, to indicate the hour, day and month of the event.

When the time comes, the lever is thrown back, and the machine rings a bell, or sounds a siren, or flashes a light, or does any other thing that the inventor may desire.

The man who aims to be good in this world may find it in the next.

No man or woman on earth really believes that the good die young.

## Old Trade Flourishes in New Land

An old trade flourishes in a new land. Hand loom weaving has been successfully introduced at Beaulieu, a small Saskatchewan town along the lines of the Canadian Pacific Railway.

The loom is being used in hand loom weaving at Beaulieu, and the general interest throughout Saskatchewan can be traced to the energy of Rev. Father John Schmitt, and comes as the result of his recent visit to his native town, France, Germany, Belgium, Switzerland and Italy. He investigated hand loom weaving in each country, studied the art himself, and on his return installed the looms.

## Planting and Pruning Roses

Written by J. B. Spencer for Ontario Horticultural Association

Plum roses in abundant quantity require a sunny position and a good garden soil. What are known as Hybrid Tea roses give the most continuous bloom throughout the summer, while the Hybrid Perpetuals, which are somewhat harder and stronger growing, give heavier crops at the end of June and early July and some again in September.

Every garden should have some climbing roses, of which there are many varieties. The Hybrid Rambler, the kind one usually sees in pots at the Easter season, is growing in popularity for garden planting.

April or May is the best time to plant. It is well to repeat, a handful of good roses in the bottom of the hole, working it into the soil. Eads of long roots and broken roots should be cut off with a sharp knife. The soil should be made very firm around a newly planted rose and soaked thoroughly with water. Hybrid Perpetuals should stand three feet apart.

Hybrid Tea two feet, and Hybrid Rambler about one and a half feet.

Mr. J. J. Moore, lecturer for the Ontario Horticultural Association, gives good advice on pruning newly planted and old roses. Mr. Moore says that April planted roses should be properly pruned and planted, and if the roses were planted last fall the stems should be shortened somewhat.

In all cases he recommends removing the canes which are weak, leaving in the case of Hybrid Tea three or four of the strongest, which should be shortened to about three inches above the ground.

In the case of Hybrid Perpetuals, two or three canes should be left, and be shortened to six inches. These branches should be well spaced and the cutting should be done just above a bud that points upwards.

The same general principle should be followed in pruning in subsequent years. Hybrid Rambler will not require shortening but all the dead growth cut away. For climbing roses, dead and weak canes should be removed at the same time.

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## Canada Holds Leading Place

### As Best Country in World For Raising of Domestic Fowl

## The Seeding of Alfalfa

Use Canadian Seed and Sow with a Nurse Crop

In starting an alfalfa field the use of a nurse crop is an indispensable requisite to success. It is also much preferable to use Canadian grown seed because it is more likely than imported seed to be of adequate hardiness. This point is stressed by Mr. R. Hopkins, Dominion Field Husbandman, in his latest report. He points out that the use of imported seed has been the cause of many failures in the growing of alfalfa. There is now a plentiful supply of Canadian seed easily procurable and therefore no necessity to use any other. The report, which may be obtained from the Publications Branch, Department of Agriculture, Ottawa, gives a great deal of information on alfalfa growing, and is a valuable reference work.

Mr. Hopkins states that it is a good practice to seed down alfalfa with a nurse crop. One of the best is a nurse crop of seedling turnips. These should be reduced somewhat before that ordinarily used when the grain is seeded alone, for instance, barley may be seeded at the rate of 1½ bushels per acre.

At all fields where alfalfa or sweet clover has not been previously grown, it is necessary to inoculate the seed as it is frequently the means of preventing partial or even total failure. The inoculating may be done by applying a culture to the seed or by applying it to the soil to be seeded about 200 pounds per acre of soil from a field in which alfalfa has already been grown.

At the Central Experimental Farm it has been found an economical plan of trying alfalfa to add about 6 per cent of the seed per acre to the regular seeding of the ordinary hay crop. By this way it is possible to learn without risk of serious loss whether alfalfa will grow satisfactorily on the particular field. If observation indicates that the crop is likely to succeed, the seed may be seeded to alfalfa. Then in this case a few pounds of timothy or alfalfa may be added, a satisfactory seeding for a field to be grown alfalfa being 15 pounds alfalfa, 3 pounds timothy and 2 pounds of alfalfa per acre.

At times alfalfa will appear only on spots where the alfalfa is killed, and will produce hay and check the growth of weeds which would otherwise grow in these places.

Representatives of thirty different countries will attend, and there will be a display of alfalfa seed from countries ever assembled, in which it is believed Canada's part will not be insignificant. The delegates will be welcomed by His Excellency the Governor-General, and by the Prime Minister. The Minister of Agriculture, the members of the legislature of the various provinces, and other prominent citizens are on the congress committee, which has all the details in charge.

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## Value of Prairie Crops

In 1925 Exceeded World's Gold Output by 270 Million Dollars

The prairie provinces of Canada are richer in their output of wheat and other crops than all the producers of the world, according to the National Resources Intelligence Service, of the Department of the Interior. The value of these crops exceeding the total gold output by 270 million dollars. The field crops of the three mid-western provinces were valued at 600 million dollars (1925), while the world's gold output was but 280 million dollars.

Split difficulties have been solved by a noted grammarian, Howard Curtis, Northwestern University professor. He says the divided verb form has been used for centuries by the best writers.

"You must be growing tired of me," said "Newberry." "You never call me 'dear,'" a other member of the "To die!" she demanded suddenly.

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## Discover Coal Seam

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